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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated July 30, 2002, Applicants elect Group I(f), claims 1-23 and 105-123, with traverse (it is noted that the Examiner's description of this group does not precisely match the language of independent claims 1, 22, and 105 of the group, and it is understood that the scope of these claims will be defined by their language and equivalents). The Restriction Requirement is traversed on the basis that search and examination of the non-elected claims would not place an undue burden on the Examiner.

In response to the Examiner's request that a single disclosed species be elected, Applicants elect physostigmine. In response to the requirement that Applicants list all claims readable on the elected species, it is noted that at least claims 1, 2, 8, 11, 14, 17-19, 22, 105, and 116 are readable on any of independent claims 1, 22, and 105, further limited to physostigmine.

A first and favorable action is respectfully requested. If, for any reason, the Examiner is of the opinion that a telephone conversation with the Applicants' representative would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 573-7851.

Respectfully submitted,
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